

Best kept . . . John Nicoll, the parish council chairman is joined by villagers to celebrate the Woodhurst success.

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Village's spirit makes it a winner

WHEN judges for the Village of the Year competition visited Woodhurst last month they were particularly impressed with the community spirit they found.

The caring attitude and concern of villagers for those needing aid helped them decide after four rounds of the contest that Woodhurst should win the Huntingdonshire title.

Villagers gathered to receive the Council for the Protection of Rural England Trophy, from Shirley Haynes, exhibition secretary for the group's Cambridgeshire branch.

They were also presented with the Calor Gas Trophy. Runners-up, Hilton, also received a Calor Gas award.

Helpston, near Peterborough, won the overall county title and will go forward to the national finals during the autumn.